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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 15, 2001, at 3:30 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2001

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, October 12, 2001.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RAY LAHOOD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord of history and Guide of nations. Yesterday, Members of this House gathered for a memorial service at the Pentagon, that 5-pointed star of shining military power.

There, moved not by force or might of Earthly making, You touched the Nation by the sincerity of prayer and the revelation of Your silent Spirit working within us.

As we saw new resolve in the unified precision of united human forces and we heard the call raised in the song of true freedom, we know it is You who strengthen us, as we prayed for our fallen brothers and sisters of differing age, race, creed, language, and ethnic background.

Lord our God, You take our diversity and bring about greater unity in this world. Your Word is heard and we are brought to new life and a new awareness. In You our cause will remain right, our ways just. In You anger is transformed to commitment. Confessed vulnerability forms solidarity. In the depths of new found freedom, You lead us to greater creativity.

Your Spirit within us strengthens us for the task ahead. You alone can take the diversity of our opinions, our technology, our military, our willingness, and our alert and bring forth goodness upon the Earth and equal justice for all.

To You and You alone be glory, honor and power both now and forever.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. REYNOLDS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. REYNOLDS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

PLEDGING SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL

(Mr. PENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in the wake of disturbing reports. First, the Associated Press reported in newspapers around America yesterday that the State Department is preparing to pressure our friends in Israel to make territorial concessions including yielding part of Jerusalem to the establishment of a Palestinian state.

This morning in Israel there are reports that 2 weeks prior to the attacks on the United States of America there was an agreement signed by the State Department and the administration of Saudi Arabia to do just that, pressing Israel back to its pre-1967 borders.

Mr. Speaker, I stand today to urge the administration and the State Department to clarify the unqualified support of the United States of America for Jerusalem as the inviolate and eternal capital of Israel; and that the United States of America, Christians and Jews and all of Americans stand for the territorial integrity of Israel and so should this Congress.

SUPPORT FOR THE PATRIOT ANTI-TERRORISM BILL

(Mr. KELLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as a supporter and original cosponsor of the PATRIOT anti-terrorism

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